State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit Investigating Serious Crash-Millsboro



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Millsoboro— The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a serious crash involving a bicyclist this afternoon west of Millsboro.

The incident occurred around 2:58 p.m. Thursday, June 15, 2017 as a 1999 Freightliner tractor pulling a 2009 Wade trailer, operated by Chester Littleton, 65 of Frankford, was traveling westbound on Laurel Road (SR 24), approaching the intersection at Carey's Camp Road (CR 421). Kenneth Tull, 72 of Delmar, Maryland was riding a road bicycle southbound on Carey's Camp Road approaching the intersection at Laurel Road. Laurel Road is a throughway and traffic on Carey's Camp Road is controlled by a posted stop sign. The bicyclist failed to stop and yield and attempted to cross Laurel Road. The operator of the

tractor trailer activated the brakes and swerved left, however the front right struck the left side of the bicycle in the middle of the intersection and then skidded to a stop. Tull was thrown in a westbound direction and came to rest in the roadway west of the intersection.

Kenneth Tull, who was wearing a bicycle helmet, was airlifted from the scene by the Delaware State Police Aviation Unit and transported to the Christiana Medical Center where he is currently admitted in critical condition.

Chester Littleton, who was wearing his seat-belt was not injured in the collision.

Impairment is not a factor in this collision.

Both, Laurel Road and Carey's Camp Road, were closed in the area of the crash for approximately 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours as the crash was investigated and cleared.

The Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing their investigation into this incident. If anyone may have witnessed this crash, they are asked to contact Corporal N. Demalto of the Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-703-3267. Information may also be provided by calling <u>Delaware Crime Stoppers</u> at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at <u>www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com</u>, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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